

THE GOLD MEDAL PLANT PROGRAM

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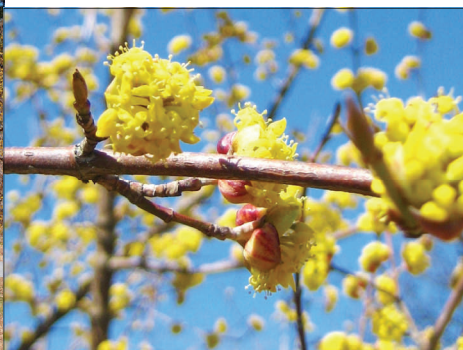
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Gold Medal Flowering Trees

Looking for an attractive tree to add beauty to your landscape? Try one of these award-winning flowering trees! With eye-catching blossoms, these flowering trees grow admirably on Long Island and are not susceptible to pests. These trees are small in stature and make a perfect addition to your property. Plant a Gold Medal flowering tree today!



Cornus mas 'Golden Glory' - **Corneliancherry Dogwood**
Early-flowering small tree - Gold Medal Winner 2011



Corneliancherry Dogwood is a small, multi-stemmed tree or large shrub that grows up to 25' in height. Golden Glory is a more upright form that flowers abundantly. The small yellow flowers are a true harbinger of spring as they open in early April. Attractive, exfoliating bark and small, red, summer fruits provide year-round interest. It can be grown in full sun or partial shade in any well-drained soil. This tough tree does not succumb to the common problems that plague other dogwoods. Hardy in zones 4-7.

Malus Sugar Tyme® (syn. 'Sutyzam' P.P.#7062) - **Sugar Tyme® Crabapple**
Disease-resistant flowering crabapple - Gold Medal Winner 2002

Sugar Tyme® Crabapple is a highly disease-resistant crabapple. This small tree reaches 18' tall with a spread of 15' at maturity. It has profuse and slightly fragrant pink flowers, attractive foliage, persistent red fruit, and interesting, smooth bark which adds appeal throughout the wintertime. This multi-season specimen tree has consistently good flowering and performs best in sun. Sugar Tyme® Crabapple is tolerant of a wide range of soil conditions, although it performs best in rich, well-drained soil. Hardy in zones 5-8.



Prunus 'Hally Jolivette' - **Hally Jolivette Cherry**
Beautiful flowering cherry - Gold Medal Winner 2005

Hally Jolivette Cherry is a beautiful, small, flowering cherry tree. This cherry grows fast and flowers profusely even when young. The pink buds of the semi-double flowers start to open in late April through early May. Flowers are light pink or white with a deep red or purple center, and appear before the leaves, providing continually opening blossoms over a 10-20 day period. Hally Jolivette Cherry is densely branched, yet finely textured. It may also be grown as a multi-stemmed shrub, although this form is rarely available. It is very cold-hardy and stress-tolerant for a cherry. Hardy in zones 5-8.

Stewartia pseudocamellia - Japanese Stewartia

Multi-season interest flowering tree - Gold Medal Winner 2000

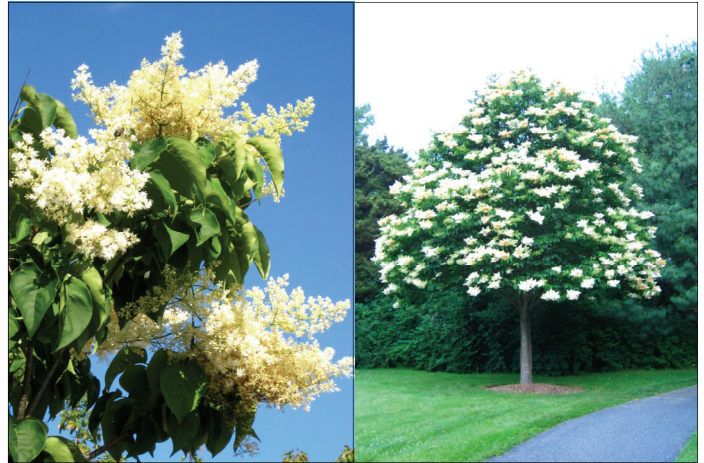


Japanese Stewartia is a very attractive flowering tree. Although slow to establish, this tree reaches 20-40' tall at maturity. The multi-stemmed habit showcases its ornamental exfoliating bark, which displays dark brown to red hues. At the end of June through early July, numerous 3" diameter, white flowers appear with striking yellow stamens. Japanese Stewartia grows best in light shade in soils that are moist, organically rich, and acidic. Truly a multi-season interest tree, Japanese Stewartia also has terrific fall foliage that ranges from orange to scarlet. Japanese Stewartia is also a pest-resistant, prized performer that needs little pruning. Hardy in zones 5-7.

Syringa reticulata 'Ivory Silk' - Japanese Tree Lilac

Versatile flowering tree - Gold Medal Winner 2008

Japanese Tree Lilac is a delightful small tree that grows 20-25' tall. It has dark green foliage and large clusters of creamy white flowers which appear in June. A tough tree that tolerates urban conditions, Japanese Tree Lilac should be grown in full sun in any well-drained soil. Tree Lilac is quite versatile and can be used as a street tree under utility lines, as a small specimen, in a grouping, near buildings, and for property line screening. Hardy in zones 3-7.



Some more great flowering trees include:

- *Magnolia* 'Galaxy' - Galaxy Magnolia
Late-flowering magnolia - Gold Medal Winner 2010
- *Sorbus alnifolia* - Korean Mountain Ash
All-season, ornamental tree - Gold Medal Winner 2004
- *Styrax japonicus* 'Emerald Pagoda' - Japanese Snowbell
Small, specimen flowering tree - Gold Medal Winner 2010

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The Long Island Gold Medal Plant Program began in 1999 and is administered by Cornell Cooperative Extension of Suffolk County. The purpose of the Gold Medal Program is to identify underutilized plant material of exceptional merit that is particularly suited for growing on Long Island. Increased public education and awareness of sustainable plant selections are the main goals of the program.

Four award-winning plants are selected each year, which may be trees, shrubs, perennials, vines, ground covers, or grasses. Visit www.ccesuffolk.org to see descriptions of all the award-winning plants. Gold Medal Plant Winners are identified by the Plant Selection Committee, which is a volunteer group of horticulture professionals. If you would like more information, please contact Darrell Trout at: dtrout11@verizon.net

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